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Customer No. 22,852  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

**John CAIRNEY et al.**

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For: DIFFERENTIALLY-EXPRESSED  
CONIFER cDNAs, AND THEIR  
USE IN IMPROVING SOMATIC  
EMBRYOGENESIS

) Group Art Unit: 1631

) Examiner: Cheyne D. Ly

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

In reply to the Office Action dated April 6, 2004, please amend the application as follows.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment section of this paper, beginning on page 13.